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IN KHRUSHCHEV'S TALK WITH VP LAST SUNDAY HE MADE STATEMENT SEVERAL TIMES TO EFFECT THAT IF OCCUPATION REGIME IN BERLIN WAS TO BE MAINTAINED THERE WAS NO POINT IN MAKING AN AGREEMENT SINCE OCCUPATION REGIME ALREADY EXISTED. THIS TOGETHER WITH HIS SPEECH AT DNEPROPETROVSK AND KUZNETSOV'S REMARK REPORTED IN EMBTEL 408 LEADS ME TO CONCLUSION THAT KHRUSHCHEV HAS VERY POSSIBLY DECIDED NOT (RPT NOT) TO FORCE ISSUE ON BERLIN OR ON SPEARATE PEACE TREATY AT THIS TIME BUT SIMPLY LET CONFERENCE ADJOURN AND HOPE EVENTUALLY TO RESUME DISCUSSIONS ON A HIGHER LEVEL. WISH (RPT WISH) TO POINT OUT HOWEVER THAT I HAVE BEEN ABSORBED WITH VP'S VISIT AND HAVE NOT (RPT NOT) HAD TIME FOR THOROUGH STUDY OF RECORD.

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